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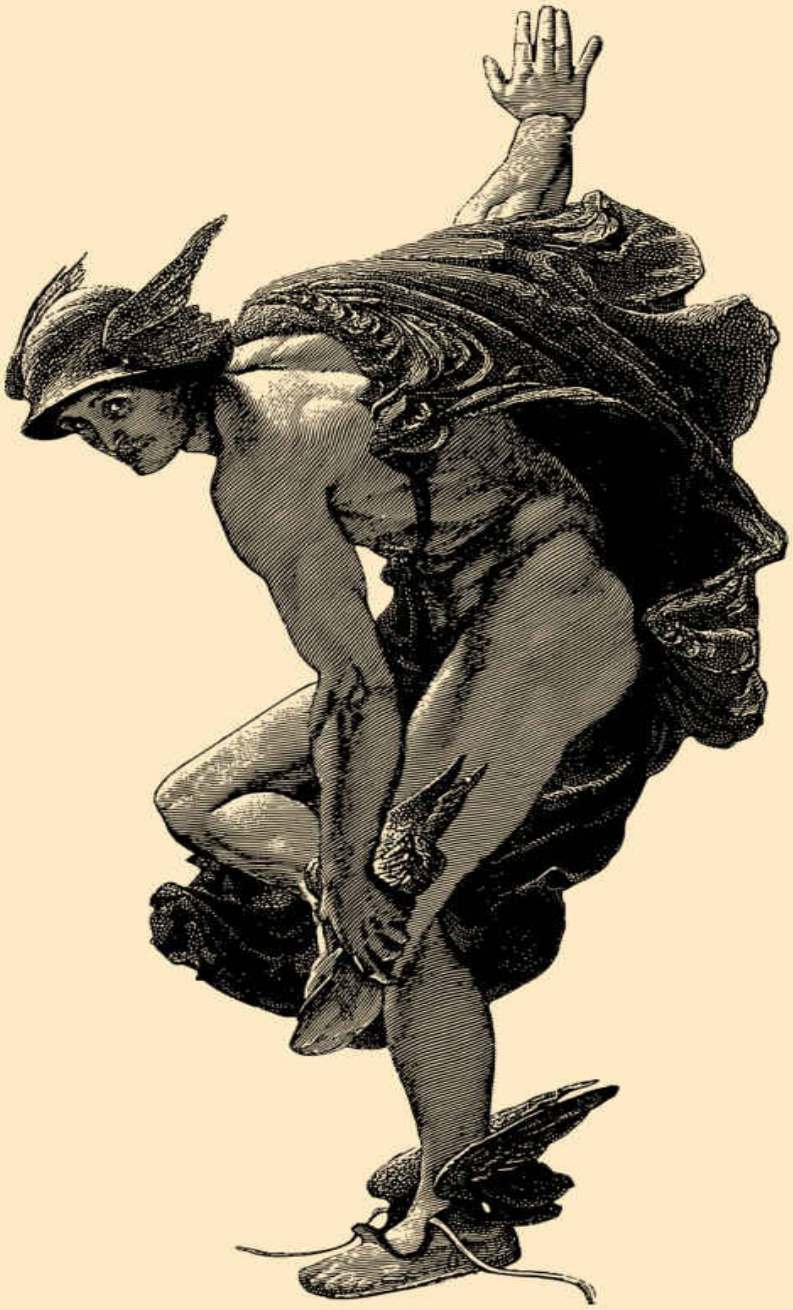

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Introduction

Hermes is a type of spirit we refer to as a god. In that respect, he can lay claim to some powerful abilities, including shifting time and space to allow for your desire to manifest.

This book is short, the rituals are straight and to the point.

There is no need for ritual baths, tedious meditation, or elaborate preparation. Know what you wish to achieve and then summon Hermes to assist you in this task.

Approach Hermes with a firm and realistic idea of what you wish to accomplish. For long term effects, I do suggest entering into a pact with Hermes, versus a weekly or monthly series of rituals to accomplish a complex goal.

I always advise people to work on one issue or goal at a time. Sometimes it does take a few rituals to get results, but often any delays are caused by internal blocks.

In this book, I briefly cover Hermes' complex history, possibly more complex than the previous two spirits I have written about. Then I cover the basics of ritual work with Hermes, followed by eight basic rituals.

Then, at the end, I give a basic ritual stripped of almost all the usual ceremonial trappings which will allow you to summon, petition and commune with Hermes minus all the fuss. It's a type of mental ritual that can be performed in any space – all you need is about 5 minutes of alone time, which is perfect if you are heading into a meeting and need one more boost in your magick to "wow" the prospective clients or impress your boss.

Hermes' strongest magick is in the area of business, for those who have their own business, or who work in a company and need to perform well to move ahead. I have included a "Job Application" ritual to assist in being seen in the best possible light by a prospective employer.

Then I include a few more rituals which leverage Hermes' powers in the area of sleep and dreams, Hermes as the holder of the Akashic Records, and appeal to Hermes to assist in games of chance. Invention and Travel are also included.

Thoth to Hermes, Hermes to Mercury

Over time, he was known by many names, such as:

•Hermes. Thoth. Mercury

•Hermes Trismegistus “Thrice-greatest Hermes”

•Mercurius ter Maximus

There is a huge amount of information about Thoth/Hermes, with regards to his history in Atlantis and Lemuria. So, I’m going to skip most of it and just summarize what he has to say on the matter:

Hermes, or Thoth, comes to us from the land of Lemuria. Like Aphrodite and Apollo.

Hermes originated as an Immortal Master in the ancient civilization we know as Lemuria. He was one of the original colonists that eventually led to the current civilization that we have now.

He began his ascendancy to an Immortal Master by literally manifesting himself into pure spirit while he still had a physical body. Just about this time several other Immortal Masters had also made the translation into pure spirit.

It was at this time that a large object was detected heading towards the Earth, and even though the Lumurians had the technology to keep this object from impacting the Earth, they allowed it to occur as they felt it was part of their destiny.

The Immortal Masters stayed in the spiritual world and then assisted the survivors in creating what we know as Atlantis.

When Lemuria was destroyed, Thoth (as he was known then) joined with several others to assist in relocating the survivors of Lemuria on the continent of Atlantis.

Thoth was the designer of Atlantis and this civilization was home to many, many beings besides humans.

When Atlantis was destroyed (possible cometary impact I’m told), again Thoth and the others assisted the survivors to spread out.

Thoth was instrumental in founding the civilizations in the area of Egypt.

Here, the people in Egypt turned him into the god Thoth. He brought writing and language to the people now occupying the area near Egypt, rebuilding their civilization after Atlantis.

He was one of the rare “self-created” gods of the ancient world.

In Classic Grecian culture, he became known as Hermes, or Hermes Trismegistus. It was in this time be authored the well-known “Emerald Tablets” which put forth the philosophy of the “Hermetic Principals”.

Myth began to grant him more and more personalities. A youthful messenger, an elder statesman, a businessman.

With Rome, Hermes got a complete reboot as Mercury. Gone was the elder statesman and teacher, to be replaced by the visage of the swift Mercury, messenger, and herald of the Gods. While true that this visage has its roots in Grecian mythology, this only really took off in Rome.

I first began working with Hermes six years ago when I began work on my Furies series. I reached out and made contact, then I got some images of how he wanted to be portrayed.

It was then I explored the idea of magick involving Hermes. It was obvious his best power was in assisting business people. Patron of Merchants was his title in many areas of Greece.

I have entered into pacts with Hermes, and he’s inspired me in my work as a writer. I have also summoned Hermes for clients, people who’ve hired me to work magick for them. These rituals are successful, because of my good working relationship with Hermes.

Hermes and his Powers

Hermes once told me that one should never limit a god's powers based upon any writings. If you look up powers of a specific god or goddess, you will be presented with a list. However, ANY specific god/goddess can be petitioned for ANY desire.

Sometimes, the best results occur when you work with a god or goddess known for one specific power, but ask for something else.

As an example, I was petitioning Aphrodite several years ago for a client, a family reunification ritual, when I also decided to petition another god for some fast cash.

When the cash appeared, in this case within 12 hours, I went into my space and summoned Hermes to thank him for the money.

He informed me that it was Aphrodite who had delivered on this one. I expressed my surprise, and Hermes informed me that ANY god can deliver on ANY desire if asked.

You see, if you use the Google Mystery School, you will be presented with thousands of hits on what powers Hermes possesses. Most will be on messages, business, travel, and whatnot.

Ask Hermes what he can do, and he will add to that with a shrug and say "Most anything."

The exceptions are any "baneful" or harmful magick. He (and I) suggest you research someone like Lilith or look into hiring a sorcerer/magician for this type of work. If worked incorrectly and for no serious reason except you just with to harm someone, such magick can have consequences you may not be prepared to face. In some areas of magick, Hollywood is correct!

Formulating Your Desire

Before I get into the details of the rituals, first a bit of advice about formulating your desire and how to phrase it for maximum effect when petitioning a god such as Hermes.

One of the biggest sticking points with performing magick appears to be the task of formulating one's desire.

When working Chaos magick, or when petitioning spirits such as Hermes, a good deal of thought needs to be done to phrase your desire into a petition that is effective.

Calling upon a higher god spirit like Hermes, you really shouldn't waste time by not being specific in what you want, but you also need to understand how placing limitations on HOW the desire is to manifest can actually halt all magick.

Leave the spirits room to work.

Placing limitations on how a desire is delivered can cut-off the fastest channel. Trust in that Hermes is a higher level being, of high intelligence, and will not harm anyone in delivering your desire.

Unlike Chaos and Sigil magick, the wording of a petition to a spirit is usually put in such a way as to sound like you are asking a good friend for a favor, not by ordering a spirit to grant your desire.

A phrase such as "I ask that you bring to me one hundred thousand dollars" won't work in Sigil magick, but is exactly how one should word a petition to Hermes. Notice I did not put any limits on the magick. I just asked for the end result.

You can, and should, specify that the money amount is to be in a specific currency. I once asked Hermes to deliver a large sum of money. He did. But, unfortunately, the envelope of money I found was in a central American currency! About three dollars US at the time.

If you are struggling to figure out a new way of generating income, a petition to Hermes can be phrased as "I ask that you show me the path to bring in more money," and Hermes will certainly inspire you. It may take a couple of tries, but eventually, you will stumble upon the right idea to bring in more money monthly.

Hermes was instrumental in my initial push to complete two huge novels. I felt as if I had a burning fire lit under me, and the only way to extinguish this fire was by sitting my bottom down and getting the novels written.

Hermes can also assist in formulating your desires. If you have the ability to listen to spirit, then by all means, ask Hermes and he will answer. He is a spirit that is nice to have around as once you can hear him, he'll be full of advice to give you on most matters of business.

Once you have defined your desire, turn it into a petition. Then you are ready for the next step, choosing a candle and other props for the ritual.

The petition is written out before hand, or it can be written while in your sacred space. This is totally up to you.

Incense Blends

Hermes, like a lot of Grecian gods, prefer incense blends.

I make a blend of frankincense, white copal, and dragon's blood for Hermes and Apollo. I do not fully powder the resins, but I lightly crush the larger bits into a rough powder.

I mix the blend as follows;

1 part dragon's blood
1 part white copal
2 parts frankincense

If you are not burning incense on a burner and charcoal, I suggest one of the higher quality stick blends found in most shops. I avoid any incense where the stick is highly perfumed.

There are a lot of places online to obtain a "Hermes" blend, but to be safe, stick to known floral scents, such as lavender, rose, and the like.

Items needed for the Rituals

I will list the major type of rituals that I know work with Hermes, what people call “Ceremonial Magick Rituals.”

In these, there are a few things you’ll need or want to have on hand. Most are simply to set the mood, make the area appealing to the spirits and to assist you in making the magick happen.

Candles

I typically have two candles on my altar, and it’s completely up to you how many to have. Some people work with only one, others with four or more. I prefer the white pillar candles, which are about 3-inches wide and 6-inches high. They last quite a while and are pretty safe.

Some people want the glass-encased 7-day candles – but I use these for rituals where I need to keep a specific candle burning to manifest a desire. Since I extinguish the candles after each ritual, relighting a 7-day candle is impractical.

A single candle is needed to represent your desire. Each ritual I list will have a suggested color candle to use. These are not extinguished after the ritual, and are allowed to burn out. If you do not have a specific color candle handy, then white can be used. For money rituals, you can put a drop of light olive oil on the candle and coat it in cinnamon, as that is a money drawing spice.

For these, I prefer the small “chime” candles – about 4 inches tall and about ¾ inch wide. I burn these in thick glass holders lined with foil. Such candles should be easily found at your local new age bookshop or online at Amazon. I use the ones marketed by “MegaCandles”, seen at this link:

https://www.amazon.com/Mega-Candles-Unscented-Ritual-Candle/dp/B01ACIHYNK

Practice safe candle burning!

I keep my spell candles in a thick candle holder and allow them to burn

out. The altar candles I extinguish with a candle snuffer. A small shot glass can work as one. I prefer to snuff out the altar candles, as sometimes blowing them out will splatter wax.

It doesn't matter to the spirit how you put these candles out. It's just my preference

Altar Cloth

I use a thin cloth, often black with gold silkscreened symbols. A plain cloth will work quite well. For years, I used a thin green towel as an altar cloth and I had great success.

Incense Burner

I use a simple incense burner that holds charcoal, using the Starlight brand of charcoal.

Amazon link for the charcoal: http://www.amazon.com/gp/product/B07S6HB1MJ

Amazon link for the burner: http://www.amazon.com/gp/product/B002YZ6NIW

Make sure to allow for the time it takes for the charcoal to be fully covered in ash while planning your rituals. This is usually about 15 minutes. This burner gets very hot, so make sure you keep it on the wooden coaster that comes with it and don't' allow anything to touch the burner until the charcoal is cold.

Offerings

Offerings to Hermes are simple: A light red wine is always welcomed. I have offered flowers, as well as pieces of sweet cake, such as angel food cake.

Also, when Hermes has delivered on a major desire, I will work a ritual to just give him an offering, and this is often scotch or a good red wine.

This is a good practice to get into, as soon as any sign of your desire has manifested, go into a ritual and simple thank Hermes and give him a small offering.

Crystals

Crystals can be used. Make sure the crystal is cleansed of any negative energy before adding it to your altar.

At one time, I would align a quartz point on the left side of my altar and a rose quartz on the right side.

But since working with the Hellenistic Pantheon, my use of crystals has fallen to the wayside.

Symbols of Hermes

Here you have plenty of choices.

An inexpensive resin statue will always work, or you can print a drawing of Hermes, which can be found on most any clip-art site.

I also have made this sigil for Hermes. It's available for download from my website at https://davepsychic.com/HermesSigil.png

Ερμῆς ὁ Τρισμέγιστος

The Basic Ritual

All rituals will have a basic pattern you will work through:

- Lighting the incense and candles, and turning off the room lights.
- Circle casting.
- Summoning Hermes.
- Lighting the candle that represents your desire
- Reading the petition
- The offering
- Closing phrase

These rituals can be adjusted for a specific need, and by combining various candle colors and desires, you can approach Hermes to assist in many areas of your life.

The Circle

To cast a circle, all one must do is define the workspace. There are as many ways to cast a circle as there are magick traditions.

Mine is quite simple.

I start facing north, and I walk clockwise around my altar, visualizing a line of glowing energy, usually gold, that outlines the circle.

I then visualize the energy rising up from the ground, to encircle my space.

After that is accomplished, I face west and banish the negative energies that might have slipped into my circle. I hold my hands up and I say “I eject and banish all energies that are not specifically invited by me to exist in this space.”

Once the circle is cast, I usually sit and begin the ritual.

After 24 hrs, dispose of the offering. It is best to take the offering outside and place it into nature, like a garden or edge of a lawn. In the case of liquids such as wine, pour onto a patch of dirt to avoid harming any shrubbery. The candle will have burned out after a few hours, but keep an eye on it anyway.

Business Ritual to Hermes

Items Needed:

- Candles
- Gold or Silver Candle to represent your business
- Incense blend
- Hermes Sigil
- An item that represents your business, such as a business plan or business card (in my case, a camera for my photography)

This ritual is for when you wish to work a full-up High Magick ritual to Hermes in his form as the Patron of Merchants

Arrange the altar as you desire. I usually place the sigil in the center, with candles on either side, the color candle next to the sigil and offering bowl on the other side of the sigil. Place the incense burner anywhere so that it's safe.

I start by casting a circle to open up the space in-between this realm and that of the Gods.

Standard invocation:

"Hermes! Thoth! Mercury!

Hail to thee!

Messenger of the Gods. Patron of Merchants, join with me today. Come down from Mt Olympus and drink with me!"

(Wait a few moments, Hermes' presence will subtly alter the atmosphere in your space)

Now, proceed with reading your petition out loud.

Phrase it as follows:

"Hermes, Patron of Merchants, God of Wealth, lend me your ears as I ask the following:"

Then pause a moment, and visualize your petition being acted upon, the results. Take your time here.

Then the offering:

"Hermes, I humbly offer to you this ____ as a token of my gratitude

for lending me your ears and time, and I ask that you speed my desire to me with the speed of Mercury!"

Wait a moment, and visualize the results. Visualize fully.

Now state:

"Thank you for attending to me and listening to my petition. I grant you leave to depart and do so in peace."

That's it. Ritual is done.

Keep the offering near his sigil overnight then pour it onto the earth.

Wealth Ritual to Hermes

Unlike money and income boosting magick, acquiring wealth is a long-term strategy, and this ritual is designed for long-term effect.

I recommend you work this ritual once a month, on a Thursday shortly after the new moon, at any time of the day or night. Candles should be gold or silver, which represent wealth in any language.

Phrase your petition to fully describe what you wish to come to you. Remember, wealth can be things other than money. It can be a "wealth" of family, love, or even tangible items. I'd phrase the petition to read: "I desire great wealth, and I ask that you bring to me gold, silver and other such riches, for I am ready to accept all that comes to me as a result of this ritual."

Items Needed:

- Candles
- Candle to represent your desire (gold or silver)
- Incense blend
- Hermes Sigil

This ritual is for when you wish to work a full-up High Magick ritual to Hermes in his form as the Patron of Wealth.

Arrange the altar as you desire. I usually place the sigil in the center, with candles on either side, the color candle next to the sigil and offering bowl on the other side of the sigil. Place the incense burner anywhere so that it's safe.

I start by casting a circle to open up the space in-between this realm and that of the Gods.

Standard invocation:

"Hermes! Thoth! Mercury!

Hail to thee!

Messenger of the Gods. Patron of Merchants, join with me today. Come down from Mt Olympus and drink with me!"

(Wait a few moments, Hermes' presence will subtly alter the atmosphere in your space)

Now, proceed with reading your petition out loud.

Phrase it as follows:

"Hermes, Patron of Wealth, God of Money, lead me your ears as I ask the following:"

Then pause a moment, and visualize your petition being acted upon, the results. Take your time here.

Then the offering:

"Hermes, I humbly offer to you this ____ as a token of my gratitude for lending me your ears and time, and I ask that you speed my desire to me with the speed of Mercury!"

Wait a moment, and visualize the results. Visualize fully.

Now state:

"Thank you for attending to me and listening to my petition. I grant you leave to depart and do so in peace."

That's it. Ritual is done.

Keep the offering near his sigil overnight then pour it onto the earth.

Money Luck/Gambling Ritual to Hermes

This ritual is for when you wish to work a full-up High Magick ritual to Hermes in his form as the Patron of Gamblers.

This ritual does not, in any way, guarantee a win. It simply attempts to tilt the table in your favor. Just remember, the *house* always wins, so quit while you are ahead and winning.

For this you will need a few items that will represent your desire, such as lottery tickets, gambling tokens, etc.

Standard ritual items are also used.

- Incense resins: Frankincense. White Copal. Dragon's blood or…
    - Incense sticks: Frankincense or another pleasing scent.
- Offering: red wine. Other spirits optional, such as scotch.
- Candles. All white except for a single gold or silver candle.
- Hermes's custom sigil.

Arrange the altar as you desire. I usually place the sigil in the center, with candles on either side, the color candle next to the sigil and offering bowl on the other side of the sigil. Place the incense burner anywhere so that it's safe.

I start by casting a circle to open up the space in-between this realm and that of the Gods.

Standard invocation:

"Hermes! Thoth! Mercury!

Hail to thee!

Messenger of the Gods. Patron of Merchants, join with me today. Come down from Mt Olympus and drink with me!"

(Wait a few moments to see if you can feel his presence)

Once you ask Hermes if he's present and get a positive reply, then proceed with reading your petition aloud.

Phrase it as follows:

"Hermes, Patron of Gamblers, God of Games of Chance, lend me your

ears as I ask the following: …. (state your petition)"

Then pause a moment.

Now it is time for the offering:

"Hermes, I humbly offer to you this ____ as a token of my gratitude for lending me your ears and time, and I ask that you speed my desire to me with the speed of Mercury!"

Wait a moment, and visualize the results. Visualize fully.

Now state:

"Thank you for attending to me and listening to my petition. I grant you leave to depart and do so in peace."

That's it. Ritual is done.

Keep the offering near his sigil overnight then pour it onto the earth.

Travel Ritual to Hermes

A ritual with the intended effect of making your travels safer and less stressful. I often perform this when I travel, and I have often received nice upgrades when flying.

Items Needed:

- White Candles
- A BLUE Candle to represent your desire for safe and successful travel
- Incense blend – or Frankincense if nothing else is available.
- Symbol of your travels, such as a boarding pass or ticket
- Hermes Sigil

This ritual is for when you wish to work a full-up High Magick ritual to Hermes in his form as the Patron of Travelers.

For this you will need a few items that will represent traveling, such as a print out of your ticket or itinerary.

Arrange the altar as you desire. I usually place the sigil in the center, with candles on either side, the color candle next to the sigil and offering bowl on the other side of the sigil. Place the incense burner anywhere so that it's safe.

I start by casting a circle to open up the space in-between this realm and that of the Gods.

Standard invocation:

"Hermes! Thoth! Mercury!

Hail to thee!

Messenger of the Gods. Patron of Travelers, join with me today. Come down from Mt Olympus and drink with me!"

Once you feel Hermes is in your present, proceed with reading your petition aloud.

Phrase it as follows:

"Hermes, Patron of Travelers, God of Swiftness, lend me your ears as I

ask the following:"

Then the offering:

"Hermes, I humbly offer to you this ____ as a token of my gratitude for lending me your ears and time, and I ask that you grant me my desire to me with the speed of Mercury!"

Wait a moment, and visualize the results. Visualize fully. How easy it is to reach your destination, how swiftly you get through the airport or to your destination if travelling by other means.

Now state:

"Thank you for attending to me and listening to my petition. I grant you leave to depart and do so in peace."

That's it. Ritual is done.

Keep the offering near his sigil overnight then pour it onto the earth.

Sleep and Dream Recall Ritual

Sleep and assistance in recalling dreams is one of Hermes' oldest powers. Along with asking Hermes to assist in falling asleep, you can also petition him to assist in recalling any important dreams. Make sure to keep a small notepad and pen/pencil by your bed so you can make notes as soon as you awaken.

The specific color of the candle matters less than the desire to sleep well, and to recall dreams, so do not stress of you can't locate a purple candle. (I tend to keep a collection of candles on hand)

Items Needed:

- Candles
- Purple Candle to represent your desire for sleep and dreams
- Incense blend
- Hermes Sigil

This ritual is for when you wish to work a full-up High Magick ritual to Hermes in his form as the Patron of Sleep.

Arrange the altar as you desire. I usually place the sigil in the center, with candles on either side, the color candle next to the sigil and offering bowl on the other side of the sigil. Place the incense burner anywhere so that it's safe.

I start by casting a circle to open up the space in-between this realm and that of the Gods.

Standard invocation:

"Hermes! Thoth! Mercury!

Hail to thee!

Messenger of the Gods. God of Sleep and Dreams, join with me today. Come down from Mt Olympus and drink with me!"

(Wait a few moments, Hermes' presence will subtly alter the atmosphere in your space)

Now, proceed with reading your petition out loud.

Phrase it as follows:

"Hermes, God of Sleep, lead me your ears as I ask the following:"

Then pause a moment, and visualize your petition being acted upon, the results. Take your time here.

Then the offering:

"Hermes, I humbly offer to you this ____ as a token of my gratitude for lending me your ears and time, and I ask that you speed my desire to me with the speed of Mercury!"

Wait a moment, and visualize the results. Visualize fully.

Now state:

"Thank you for attending to me and listening to my petition. I grant you leave to depart and do so in peace."

That's it. Ritual is done.

Keep the offering near his sigil overnight then pour it onto the earth.

Invention Ritual to Hermes

Items Needed:

- Candles
- Blue Candle to represent your desire for inspiration
- Incense blend
- Hermes Sigil
- A notepad to jot down any ideas that may occur while in ritual

This ritual is for when you wish to work a full-up High Magick ritual to Hermes in his form as the Patron of Inventors

Arrange the altar as you desire. I usually place the sigil in the center, with candles on either side, the color candle next to the sigil and offering bowl on the other side of the sigil. Place the incense burner anywhere so that it's safe.

I start by casting a circle to open up the space in-between this realm and that of the Gods.

Standard invocation:

"Hermes! Thoth! Mercury!

Hail to thee!

Messenger of the Gods. Patron of Merchants, join with me today. Come down from Mt Olympus and drink with me!"

(Wait a few moments, Hermes' presence will subtly alter the atmosphere in your space)

Now, proceed with reading your petition out loud.

Phrase it as follows:

"***Hermes, Patron of Merchants, God of Invention, lend me your ears as I ask the following:"***

Then pause a moment, and visualize your petition being acted upon, the results. Take your time here.

Then the offering:

"Hermes, I humbly offer to you this ____ as a token of my gratitude for lending me your ears and time, and I ask that you speed my desire to me

with the speed of Mercury!"

Wait a moment, and visualize the results. Visualize fully.

Now state:

"Thank you for attending to me and listening to my petition. I grant you leave to depart and do so in peace."

That's it. Ritual is done.

Keep the offering near his sigil overnight then pour it onto the earth.

Job Application Success Ritual to Hermes

This simple ritual is designed to tilt the odds in your favor. You still have to impress the company with your talents, and show the people in Human Resources you're a good fit.

Items Needed:

- Candles – Can be white or a mix of white & black
- Silver or White candle anointed with cinnamon oil
- Hermes incense blend – frankincense, copal, and dragon's blood.
- Hermes Sigil
- Offering of a flower or small amount of wine. A good spirit is also accepted.
- A copy of your job application or resume.

Arrange the altar as you desire. I usually place the sigil in the center, with candles on either side, the color candle next to the sigil and offering bowl on the other side of the sigil. Place the incense burner anywhere so that it's safe.

I start by casting a circle to open up the space in-between this realm and that of the Gods.

Standard invocation:

"Hermes! Thoth! Mercury!

Hail to thee!

Messenger of the Gods. Patron of Merchants, join with me today. Come down from Mt Olympus and drink with me!"

(Wait a few moments)

Once you figure Hermes is with you…. Speak your petition.

Phrase it as follows (you don't have to be exact here, but this is a suggestion):

"Hermes, Patron of Merchants, God of Business, lend me your ears as

I ask the following: That you enchant my job application/resume with the energy to make it shine, that I am seen in the best possible light and I am successful in being matched with the job that I desire!"

Then pause a moment, and then give the offering:

"Hermes, I humbly offer to you this ____ as a token of my gratitude for lending me your ears and time, and I ask that you speed my desire to me with the speed of Mercury!"

Wait a moment, and visualize the results. Visualize fully.

Now state:

"Thank you for attending to me and listening to my petition. I grant you leave to depart and do so in peace."

That's it. Ritual is done.

Keep the offering near his sigil overnight then pour it onto the earth, if liquid, otherwise place into nature.

Life path Ritual to Hermes

This is a special ritual, and will need a different setting. It is to be done just prior to going to bed, with ends with triggering your subconscious to have a dream about the Hall of Records, plus a trigger to remember the dream, usually by awakening just after it.

This is perfect for those who can lucid dream (which isn't all of us).

Make sure to keep a notebook by the bed to make notes as you awaken.

Items Needed:

- Candles
- Candle to represent your desire
- Incense blend
- Hermes Sigil

Arrange the altar as you desire. I usually place the sigil in the center, with candles on either side, the color candle next to the sigil and offering bowl on the other side of the sigil. Place the incense burner anywhere so that it's safe.

I start by casting a circle to open up the space in-between this realm and that of the Gods.

Standard invocation:

"Hermes! Thoth! Mercury!

Hail to thee!

Messenger of the Gods. Patron of Merchants, join with me today. Come down from Mt Olympus and drink with me!"

(Wait a few moments, Hermes' presence will subtly alter the atmosphere in your space)

Now, proceed with reading your petition out loud.

Phrase it as follows:

"Hermes, Keeper of the Records, lend me your ears as I ask the following:

I ask that you enter my dreams and escort me to my Akashic records, and that you will allow me to view my records and determine….. (state

what you wish to find out)"

Then pause a moment, and visualize your petition being acted upon, the results. Take your time here.

Then the offering:

"Hermes, I humbly offer to you this ____ as a token of my gratitude for lending me your ears and time, and I ask that you speed my desire to me with the speed of Mercury!"

Wait a moment, and visualize the results. Visualize fully.

Now state:

"Thank you for attending to me and listening to my petition. I ask now that you return to me while I (mediate or sleep) and to guide me to the Hall of records"

That's it. Ritual is done.

Keep the offering near his sigil overnight then pour it onto the earth.

Mental Rituals

A ritual doesn’t always have to be a full ceremonial ritual. After working with Hermes for a while, do a ritual to just make contact, then ask if he’s agreeable to working with just mental rituals.

For this, all you need is a quiet space to sit and meditate.

In your mind, picture your altar space, and draw a mental circle.

Whisper the invocation to Hermes: “Hermes! Thoth! Mercury! Hail to thee!

Messenger of the Gods. Patron of Merchants, join with me today. Come down from Mt Olympus and join me!”

As always, wait a moment for his arrival, then whisper to him your desire.

When finished, mentally give him a small glass of wine or a rose. Then thank him for his assistance.

That’s it.

If the ritual was successful, make sure to go into your space and give Hermes a physical offering as a small gesture of thanks for his assistance.

Pacts with Hermes

Pacts and agreements are a useful offshoot of ritual magik.

Often, pacts are used primarily for self-enlightenment. With a self-improvement or enlightenment pact, the god/goddess will instruct you on the subjects that you wish to gain mastery of during the period of the pact.

Pacts with Hermes are best if business oriented. Think wealth building, long term goals and assistance in writing business plans. Just make sure you have something the gods can work with, or you're wasting everyone's time. Even gods can be testy, and many have resorted to screwing with the magician if the magician hasn't an avenue for what it is that they desire.

Most people think of demons when one says "Pact". But here's the thing: Greek helper spirits were known as daemons, from which later religions got the term "demon" then vilified them. Daemon is not to be confused with the small programs that run in the background like network services. Mac & Windows have stopped using these terms so as to appeal to the masses. Linux still uses the term, so you know where their heads are at.

Who can you make a pact with? Any being you can petition. Gods, Goddesses, and so-called demons.

A pact is different from a standard petition in a ritual in that you are engaging the being to work for a longer period than required in a petition. This is why I tend to use pacts far more often than simple rituals. A pact is a bonding between you and the being.

A pact with Hermes is a good way to address long-term projects, such as a writer working on a book series, artist wanting success at galleries, a photographer wanting success with magazine work (I did this one in 1995.. and BOY did it work!)

For any god, especially for Hermes, part of the pact is what you will offer him! The promise of being a good student. Doing good services in their name, donating time and money to charities with them in mind, weekly offerings of wine or spirits. Some books recommend using "magic" ink for the pact. There are several "magic" inks on the market, so you can use if you wish.

Under no circumstances should you use blood when working with

Hermes, or any other Grecian deity, blood work is only for working with specific demons.

So, the basic of making a pact with Hermes is quite simple:

State your desire.

State what you wish Hermes to do for you, in exchange for what you will do for him. Go into details here.

Write out the pact, I do this the day before a planned ritual. Don't sign the pact at this time, though. Leave space for your signature at the bottom.

After writing it out, draw Hermes' sigil at the bottom.

The Pact Ritual

Set up your altar, add appropriate candles (color to match desire), Hermes' sigil, image, or statue, your written pact, and have a fire proof bowl or pie tin to hold the petition when it burns. Then call upon Hermes as outlined in the previous rituals:

"Hermes! Thoth! Mercury!

Hail to thee!

Messenger of the Gods. Patron of Merchants, join with me today. Come down from Mt Olympus and drink with me!

Join me and be at my side, and know that I desire to enter into a pact with you!"

Read the pact, and ask if Hermes agrees to the pact as written. Get quiet and listen. If you hear a yes – then sign the pact and then burn it (Yes, we love fire, and setting things on fire). Again, burning the pact transforms it from the physical into the non-physical. Some say the pact will appear in the god's hands.

At this point, you're done. Close the ritual as follows:

"Hermes, I humbly offer to you this ____ as a token of my gratitude for lending me your ears and time, and I ask that we work together in harmony and my pact is fulfilled!"

Wait a moment, and visualize the results. Visualize fully.

Now state:

"Thank you for attending to me and listening to my petition. I grant you leave to depart and do so in peace."

In Conclusion

A fast recap.

Hermes can deliver on most any desire, but please do not try to use him for baneful (or black) magick.

He will appreciate anything as an offering, if it is given over with sincere thanks.

Work the mental image only after summoning Hermes once or twice in a full ritual, and then getting his permission to use the mental ritual.

ALWAYS acknowledge that his magick has produced results. Never, ever, place blame on a god or goddess if the magick fails to produce results. Many times, the results are just about to arrive when the magician gets frustrated and this frustration stops the magick in its tracks.

When giving thanks, try to perform a ritual and leave an offering. Hermes is a traditionalist in this manner.

Thank you for reading my small book, and I wish you success in your magickal efforts. Make sure to join me and my fellow magicians in my Facebook group, Secrets of Magick!

Appendix

Join with us in the Facebook Group: “Secrets of Magick”

https://www.facebook.com/groups/2492362161089614/

My Fan Page on Facebook:

https://www.facebook.com/DavePsychic/

These candles are ideal, and I always have this brand on hand. The colors are accurate and they’re of the best quality I have found online.

http://www.amazon.com/gp/product/B01MTIEVLR

The best Frankincense I’ve ever sourced.

http://www.amazon.com/gp/product/B00MTAIBAU

A good sampler pack to get a lot of resin to play with – the Dragon’s Blood is quite nice.
https://www.amazon.com/gp/product/B072JHPDXR

My own website and where you can hire me to work rituals for you or sign up for classes.

https://davepsychic.com

To download your copy of the special Apollo Sigil, go here:

https://davepsychic.com/HermesSigil.png

Here are the meanings of different candle colors in general:

- White candles-Destruction of negative energy, peace, truth and purity
- Purple candles- Spiritual awareness, wisdom, tranquility
- Lavender Candles– Intuition, Paranormal, Peace, Healing
- Blue and Deep Blue Candles– Meditation, Healing, Forgiveness, Inspiration, Fidelity, Happiness, and opening lines of Communication.
- Green Candles– Money, Fertility, Luck, Abundance, Health (not to be used when diagnosed with Cancer), Success
- Rose and Pink Colored Candles– Positive self-love, friendship, harmony, joy
- Yellow Candles- Realizing and manifesting thoughts, opening up communication, confidence, bringing plans into action, creativity, intelligence, mental clarity, clairvoyance.
- Orange Candles– Joy, energy, education, strength attraction, stimulation
- Red or Deep red Candles– Passion, energy, love, lust, relationships, sex, vitality, courage.
- Black Candles– Protection, absorption and destruction of negative energy and also repelling negative energy from others
- Silver candle– Goddess or feminine energy, remove negativity, psychic development, money
- Gold candle– Male energy, Solar energy, fortune, spiritual attainment, money.

Candle colors and Days:

- Sunday– Gold or yellow candles
- Monday– Silver, Grey or White
- Tuesday-Red
- Wednesday-Purple
- Thursday– Blue
- Friday-Green
- Saturday– Black or Purple

Candle colors and healing purposes:

- Allergies- Violet
- Anxiety- Rose
- Colds- Green/violet
- Depression-Orange/Indigo/Rose
- Insomnia-Blue
- Indigestion-Yellow
- Fever-Blue
- Headaches-Green/blue
- Diabetes-Yellow

White

- The Goddess
- Higher Self
- Purity
- Peace
- Virginity
- (substitutes any other color)

Black

- Binding
- Shapeshifting
- Protection
- Repels Negativity

Brown

- Special Favors
- To Influence Friendships

Silver

- The Goddess
- Astral energy
- Female energy

- Telepathy
- Clairvoyance
- Intuition
- Dreams

Purple

- Third Eye
- Psychic Ability
- Hidden Knowledge
- To Influence People in High Places
- Spiritual Power

Blue

- Element of Water
- Wisdom
- Protection
- Calm
- Good Fortune
- Opening Blocked Communication
- Spiritual Inspiration

Green

- The Element of Earth
- Physical Healing
- Monetary success
- Mother Earth
- Tree and Plant Magic
- Growth

- Personal Goals

Pink

- Affection
- Romance
- Affection
- Caring
- Nurturing
- Planetary Good Will

Red

- Element of Fire
- Passion
- Strength
- Fast action
- Career Goals
- Lust
- Driving Force
- Survival
- Blood of the Moon

Orange

- General Success
- Property Deals
- Legal matters
- Justice
- Selling

Copper

- Professional Growth
- Business Fertility
- Career Maneuvers
- Passion
- Money Goals

Gold

- The God
- Promote Winning
- Power of the Male
- Happiness

Yellow

- The Element of Air
- Intelligence
- The Sun
- Memory
- Logical Imagination
- To Accelerate Learning
- To Break Mental Blocks